

City of Seat Pleasant

Office of the Director of Economic Development Director Weyimi Ayu

A SMART CITY OF EXCELLENCE

"Seat Pleasant offers Smart City Services that are better, faster and personalized making it a City for Me using information and communication technology, with the internet of things"

Department Name Economic Development						
Date of Report:	<u>December 26, 2017</u>	Reporting Period	December 2017			

Summarize significant department progress for the reporting period that is indicative of providing services that are better, faster and personalized

- The Economic development department staff along with Department contractors have been locating vacant houses around the city. Since the recent fire that occurred at a vacant property, the department has been working diligently to obtain additional houses in the city to combat the vacant housing epidemic. Recently, staff were able to close on 3 of 4 of previously purchased homes.
 - 1. Purchased and closed on 6112 Addison Road which is already being worked on to become the first "Smart Home" on October 26, 2017. Remodeling is still active.
 - **2.** 6224 Foote Street was the house which had a fire; the department negotiated with Bank of America to purchase the house for \$10, and was able to close as of December 15, 2017.
 - **3.** 6003 Seat Pleasant Drive, which was purchased from Fannie Mae for \$125,000, closed on December 15, 2017.
 - 4. The closing of 710 71st Street, happened on December 13, 2017. Renovation has begun.
- Director Ayu, attended a 1-week EDFP 3D 300-course in Los Angeles, CA, to complete his certification
- The Housing Trust Fund "Smart Home" Initiative is still making some tremendous progress at 6212 Addison Road from the interior to the exterior and is almost complete.
- Director Ayu accompanied the Mayor to United Nations in NY, and made presentations to bring Smart Cities to Africa, and the African Diaspora.
- City Council agreed on the company, Skidmore Owings & Merrill, to create a City of Seat Pleasant Master Plan, on December 4 at its regularly scheduled Council meeting.
- Director Ayu met with Judy D'Ambrosi and Dave Green, of MNCPPC regarding their program called Planning Assistance to Municipalities and Communities (PAMC), to establish a relationship regarding planning assistance to the City of Seat Pleasant, and submitted an application for their services.
- Director Ayu attended along with the Mayor, Council, and City Staff the Seat Pleasant Annual Legislative Breakfast to advocate for bond bill assistance in the next State budget.

Office of the City Treasurer

Revenue

Line Item **6-5100** – **6-6602**

FY2017 Budget (Previous Year)	FY 2018 Budget (Current Year)	FY 2018 Actual (Current Year)
\$70,000.00	N/A	N/A

Expenditures

Offers 1.1 to 1.8

FY2017 Budget (Previous Year)	FY 2018 Budget (Current Year)	FY 2018 Actual (Current Year)
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\$70,000.00	\$6,320,626.00	\$1,127,425.26

Attachments: Net Suite for Economic Development